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Refer to: 1978030003 -- Will County

Land and Lakes/Willow Ranch Permit No. 1990-030-DE/OP

Log No. 1990-014 Permit File

April 2, 1990

Land and Lakes Company

Attn: Mr. James Cowhey, President

Post Office Box 778

Park Ridge, Illinois 60068-0778

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.

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Gentlemen:

Permit is hereby granted to Land and Lakes Company to develop and operate a composting facility to compost grass, leaves, plant material, limbs, shredded trunks and stumps on 16 acres within the boundaries of the permitted landfill. which is located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 23, Township 37 North, Range 10 East of the Third Principle Meridian in Will County, Illinois all in accordance with the application and plans prepared by Harry H. Morris, C.P.G., of Land and Lakes Company dated December 28, 1989 and March 8, 1990 and received by the Agency on January 11, 1990 and March 12, 1990, respectively. Final plans, specifications, application and supporting documents as submitted and approved shall constitute part of this permit and are identified on the records of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Land Pollution Control by the permit number(s) and log number(s) designated in the heading above.

The permit is issued subject to the standard conditions attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and further subject to the following special conditions:

- This permit shall expire April 2, 1993. For the operation to continue, reapplication for permit must be submitted at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date.
- 2. Operation may not begin until completion of development.
- 3. The type(s) of waste that may be composted at this facility shall be limited to leaves, grass, plant material, limbs, trunks and stumps. All wood shall be shredded prior to being placed in a windrow.
- Measures shall be taken to ensure that the waste does not become wind strewn or ignited and that no other provisions of the Environmental Protection Act are violated.



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- The facility shall be operated to prevent problems with odor and to maximize the decomposition process.
- 6. Material may be received at the composting unit 6:00 am and 5:30 pm Monday through Saturday.
- 7. Runoff from the permitted facilities shall not cause or contribute to a violation of the water quality standards contained in Ill. Adm. Code 302. The permittee shall implement best management practices to control runoff.
- The permittee shall submit an annual report to the Agency. The permittee shall report on or before April 1 of each year for the life of the compost unit. The report shall include an estimate of weight (tons) and volume (cubic yards) of materials accepted at site for composting.
- The Agency shall be notified in writing of site closure within thirty days of termination of operation. A Final Composting Report shall be submitted to the Agency, and shall include the information in the Annual Report for the time elapsed since the end of the last report period.
- 10. Any modification to the facility shall be the subject of an application for supplemental permit for site modification submitted to this Agency.
- 11. Permittee shall notify the Agency of any changes from the information submitted to the Agency in its application for a developmental and operating permit for this site. Permittee shall notify the Agency of any changes in the names or addresses of both beneficial and legal titleholders to the herein-permitted site. Such notification shall be made in writing within fifteen (15) days of such change and shall include the name or names of any parties in interest and the address of their place of abode; or, if a corporation, the name and address of its registered agent.
- 12. Each area shall be developed such that the erosion control system approved by Permit No. 1989-264-SP is installed to accommodate any run-off from the area, and the base of the compositing area is maintained to keep a minimum of 12 inches of compacted cohesive soil on top of the refuse.
- 13. Finished compost shall not be used as intermediate or final cover for a landfill; however finished compost may be used as a final vegetative cover for the landfill or as a soil amendment.

Except as modified in the above documents, this facility shall be operated in accordance with Permit No. 1976-17-OP, and other permits applicable to this facility.



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The original and two (2) copies of all certifications, logs or reports. including the annual Composting Facility Report should be mailed to the following address:

> Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Compliance Section Division of Land Pollution Control -- #24 2200 Churchill Road Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Very truly yours,

Hawrence W. Eastep, P.

Permit Section

Division of Land Pollution Control

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cc: Maywood Region Compliance Section Harry H. Morris, C.P.G.

Will County Health Department

Division File

STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION/DEVELOPMENT PERMITS ISSUED BY THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

July 1, 1979

The Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Illinois Revised Statutes, Chapter 111-1/2,—Section 1039) grants the Environmental Protection Agency authority to impose conditions on permits which it issues.

These standard conditions shall apply to all permits which the Agency issues for construction or development projects which require permits under the Divisions of Water Pollution Control, Air Pollution Control, Public Water Supplies, and Land and Noise Pollution Control. Special conditions may also be imposed by the separate divisions in addition to these standard conditions.

- 1. Unless this permit has been extended or it has been voided by a newely issued permit, this permit will expire two years after date of issuance unless construction or development on this project has started on or prior to that date.
- 2. The construction or development of facilities covered by this permit shall be done in compliance with applicable provisions of Federal laws and regulations, the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, and Rules and Regulations adopted by the Illinos Pollution Control Board.
- 3. There shall be no deviations from the approved plans and specifications unless a written request for modification of the project, along with plans and specifications as required, shall have been submitted to the Agency and a supplemental written permit issued.
- 4. The permittee shall allow any agent duly authorized by the Agency upon the presentation of credentials:
 - a. to enter at reasonable times the permittee's premises where actual or potential effluent, emission or noise sources are located or where any activity is to be conducted pursuant to this permit.
 - b. to have access to and copy at reasonable times any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit.
 - c. to inspect at reasonable times, including during any hours of operation of equipment constructed or operated under this permit, such equipment or monitoring methodology or equipment required to be kept, used, operated, calibrated and maintained under this permit.

- d. to obtain and remove at reasonable times samples of any discharge or emission of pollutants.
- e. to enter at reasonable times and utilize any photographic, recording, testing, monitoring or other equipment for the purpose of preserving, testing, monitoring, or recording any activity, discharge, or emission authorized by this permit.
- 5. The issuance of this permit:
 - a. shall not be considered as in any manner affecting the title of the premises upon which the permitted facilities are to be located;
 - b. does not release the permittee from any liability for damage to person or property caused by or resulting from the construction, maintenance, or operation of the proposed facilities:
 - c. does not release the permittee from compliance with other applicable statutes and regulations of the United States, of the State of Illinois, or with applicable local laws, ordinances and regulations;
 - d. does not take into consideration or attest to the structural stability of any units or parts of the project;
 - e. in no manner implies or suggests that the Agency (or its officers, agents or employees) assumes any liability, directly or indirectly, for any loss due to damage, installation, maintenance, or operation of the proposed equipment or facility.
- 6. Unless a joint construction/operation permit has been issued, a permit for operating shall be obtained from the Agency before the facility or equipment covered by this permit is placed into operation.
- 7. These standard conditions shall prevail unless modified by special conditions.
- 8. The Agency may file a compliant with the Board for modification, suspension or revocation of a permit:
 - a. upon discovery that the permit application contained misrepresentations, misinformation or false statements or that all relevant facts were not disclosed: or
 - b. upon finding that any standard or special conditions have been violated; or
 - c. upon any violation of the Environmental Protection Act or any Rule or Regulation effective thereunder as a result of the construction or development authorized by this permit.